Land being a State subject it is for the State Governments to adopt these recommendations for implementation.

Sick Public Sector Undertaking to Workers Cooperatives

5499. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to had over sick public sector undertakings to worker's cooperatives;

(b) if so, whether major trade unions have rejected this proposal;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the reactions of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) to (d). Some trade unions have suggested the setting up of workers' cooperatives during the meeting of special Tripartite Committee held on 20-1-92, Government is prepared to consider viable proposals for running sick PSUs through workers' cooperatives where the workers are willing. However, the details in this regard have to be worked out based on specific proposals from workers' cooperatives company-wise.

Marking of retail price on drugs

5500. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pharmaceutical companies have been printing new maximum retail price on each of their products while launching new batch and lot of supplies;

(b) the details of existing guidelines/ norms in this regard;

(c) whether the revision of retail price is being done very frequently by the drug companies; and

(d) if so, the yard stick followed by these companies in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b). As per existing guidelines, in the case of non scheduled formulations, pharmaceutical companies are required to print maximum retail price inclusive of all taxes on the label of container of the formulation and the minimum pack thereof of fered for retail sale from the batches manufactured on or after 1.1.1992.

(c) and (d). Sir, in the case of scheduled formulations, pharmaceutical companies are required to obtain approval of Government under DPCO, 1987 before revising the prices. In the case of formulations outside price control, the companies are free to revise the prices under intimation to the Government.

Entrusting management of technological parks to Public Sector Undertakings

5501. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Software Technological Parks set up by the Government together with its details;

(b) whether the Government propose to entrust the management of these parks to Public Sector Undertakings; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for entrusting management to Public Sector Undertakings?